

1 spokesman of the Committee?

2 Delegate Beachley.

3 DELEGATE BEACHLEY: May I ask two questions,
4 Mr. Chairman?

5 THE CHAIRMAN: State the questions.

6 DELEGATE BEACHLEY: My questions, Delegate
7 Mitchell, you spoke of the distressed areas throughout
8 the State of Maryland and the first question that I want
9 to ask you is in relation to these distressed areas.

10 What would you consider is the annual income
11 of these people in these distressed areas that might be
12 classified as low income families or impoverished
13 families? What was the amount?

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Mitchell.

15 DELEGATE MITCHELL: I would use the same
16 standard that the Social Security Administration, U. S.
17 Department of Labor, and the other agencies of our
18 state and federal government have devised as a standard
19 to measure poverty and that is an income to a family of
20 three thousand dollars a year or under.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Beachley.